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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROSHI OHKURA ET AL.) : Previous Examiner: D. Chacko-Davis
Application No.: 10/609,421) : Previous Group Art Unit: 1756
Filed: July 1, 2003) :
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING) :
STRUCTURE HAVING PORES : September 9, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows.